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April 19, 2004

Mr. Jeff S. Jordan
Office of the General Counsel
Federal Election Commission
999 E Street, NW
Washington, DC 20463

Re: NYR 5440

Dear Mr. Jordan,

This letter is in response of John L. Tishman to your letter notifying me that a complaint had been filed with the Federal Election Commission and asking for a response to that complaint.

After having reviewed the voluminous complaint and attachments, it is clear that my involvement in this matter arises solely as the result of my having made a contribution to Victory Campaign 2004 (VC04). I made my contribution relying on the personal assurances of Harold Ickes and Ellen Malcolm of American Coming Together/The Media Fund/Victory Campaign 2004 (ACT/RMF/VC04) that their activities, and my contribution, were in complete compliance with all federal campaign finance laws, including the Bipartisan Campaign Finance Reform Act.

Despite the overheated and false rhetoric laced throughout the complaint. I believe that the assurances I received were true and that my contribution was legal. I understand that the other parties to the complaint will be addressing in more detail the other legal issues raised in the complaint, and I refer you to their responses for a discussion on those issues.

Should you have any questions, or need additional information, please contract me at

Very truly yours,


John L. Tishman

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